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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement in the above referenced application is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. § 121

Restriction has been required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to Group I, claims 1-10 drawn to an exhaust gas treatment catalyst, classified in class 502, subclass 325+; and Group II, claims 11-20 drawn to exhaust gas treatment, classified in class 422, subclass 170+.

As indicated above, Applicants hereby affirm the provisional election made with traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-10.

Reconsideration of the restriction of Group II claims is respectfully requested since the article of claims 11-20 comprise the catalyst of claims 1-10.

For the above reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

Applicants have fully responded to the Office Action and examination of at least Group I, claims 1-10 is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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